
Announcements

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Please contact Priscilla S. Page, TSFRE Executive Director, at ppage@tsfre.org with questions. A full description of the Carolyn E. Reed Traveling Fellowship can be found at www.tsfre.org.

Thoracic Surgery Foundation for Research and Education

The Thoracic Surgery Foundation for Research and Education (TSFRE) recently announced six new cardiothoracic surgery research grants to support young investigators. Under the leadership of TSFRE president John H. Calhoon, the TSFRE Board of Directors accepted the recommendation of the TSFRE Research Committee and voted unanimously and enthusiastically to support the following projects:

- 1 Ravi K. Ghanta, MD, TSFRE Research Grant, \$80,000, "Therapeutic Mechanical Modification of Myocardial Infarcts With Tunable Nanofibers to Prevent Ventricular Remodeling"

- 2 Ann C. Gaffey, MD, TSFRE Braunwald Fellowship, \$60,000, "A Novel, Vascularized Clinically Translatable Tissue Engineered Construct to Provide Anio-genic Endothelial Progenitor Cell Therapy to Treat Ischemic Cardiomyopathy"
- 3 Emily A. Downs, MD, TSFRE Braunwald Fellowship, \$60,000, "Anisotropic Reinforcement of Acute Right Ventricular Dysfunction"
- 4 Dawn S. Hui, MD, TSFRE Simulation Grant, \$15,000, "Defining Nontechnical Predictors and Number of Repetitions to Reach Technical Skill Proficiency on Coronary Anastomosis Simulation Prior to Patient Experience"
- 5 Linda W. Martin, MD, Carolyn E. Reed Traveling Fellowship, \$10,000, "Robotic Thoracic Surgery at the University of Alabama at Birmingham"
- 6 Edward Cantu, MD, NIH Matching K23 Grant, \$150,000, "Lung Transplant Donor: Prediction, Evaluation, and Mechanism"

The TSFRE was established in 1988 as a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit charitable organization. Representatives from the four leading thoracic surgery societies—the American Association for Thoracic Surgery (AATS), the Society of Thoracic Surgeons (STS), the Southern Thoracic Surgical Association (STSA), and the Western Thoracic Surgical Association (WTSA)—serve on the TSFRE Board of Directors. The mission of TSFRE is to foster the development of surgeon scientists in cardiothoracic surgery—increasing knowledge and innovation to benefit patient care.